

REMARKS

Applicant wishes to express its appreciation to the Examiner for the courtesy and cooperation shown throughout the prosecution of the present application and the resulting statement of allowance.

In particular, **the outstanding Office Action indicates that pending Claims 1, 3-6, 15-18, 21, 26-29, and 31-33 are allowable.** Claims 2, 8-11, 20, 22-25, and 30 were previously canceled; and by this Amendment, Claims 7, 12-14, and 19 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The current cancellation of claims renders moot the outstanding rejection thereof under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Harman, *et al.*, (U.S. Patent 6,807,636) in view of Benantar, *et al.*, (U.S. Patent 5,765,153). Thus, therefore it is requested that this rejection be withdrawn, and it is respectfully submitted that the present application should now be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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